GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
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ESTABLISHMENT OF PLANT FOR FINISHED GOODS BY DSP
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Durgapur Steel Plant(DSP) has got money for setting up a plant for finished goods from Semis;

(b) if so, the money allocated and utilized so far,

(c) the current status of the work;

(d) whether the Government is aware that after production of wheel axle in the plant, the finishing is done outside the steel plant;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(f) the steps taken towards finishing of goods within the plant without any further delay?

Answer

MINISTER OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STEEL(SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) to (c): The Corporate Plan 2012 of Steel Authority of India Ltd.(SAIL) envisages installation of finishing mills to reduce the semis, such as two nos. of Bar & Rod Mills (Rs. 450 crores Each) and Medium Structural Mill(Rs. 350 Crore) at Durgapur Steel Plant(DSP). SAIL has now adequate funds to take up the new project envisaged in Corporate Plan 2012. These projects will be funded through internal accruals or market borrowings, if needed.

(d) & (e): Due to change in specification by Indian Railways, (which has resulted in 54% more machining of each wheel) presently machining of loco wheels has been outsourced. However, the machine wheels are brought back in the plant and tested in house before finally dispatching to the Railways.

(f) Proposal for procuring one number high productive Computerized Numerically Controlled (CNC) machine is in progress to be followed by another.